

## **FOREST FIRE PROTECTION (FFP) GRANT PROGRAM**

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The following chart gives an idea of items that, based on current interpretation of state statutes and administrative rules, are and are not eligible for reimbursement by the **Forest Fire Protection (FFP)** Grant Program administered by the Department of Natural Resources. This list is by no means all-inclusive. Any eligibility questions should be directed to a grant program manager (contact information found at the end of this chart).

<b><u>Eligible Items</u></b>	<b><u>Ineligible Items</u></b>
<p><b>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</b> that has been approved by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1977 Standard. Personal protective equipment include articles such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leather or rubber boots <b>that meet NFPA 1977 Standards (boots that meet NFPA 1971 are also eligible)</b></li> <li>• Coveralls, jumpsuits</li> <li>• Brush jackets and pants</li> <li>• Helmets and hard hats, except leather, <b>that meet NFPA 1977 Standards (helmets that meet NFPA 1971 are also eligible)</b></li> <li>• Nomex hoods, shrouds, and gloves</li> <li>• Goggles</li> <li>• Helmet lights</li> <li>• Hot shields and masks/wildland-approved dust mask and filters</li> <li>• Personnel Accountability System</li> <li>• Fire shelters</li> <li>• Personal compasses</li> <li>• Personal Safety Strobes</li> <li>• Chaps</li> </ul>	<p><b>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</b> Standard issue clothing for fighting structural fires such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bunker pants and coats</li> <li>• <b>Any PPE item (helmet, boot, etc) that does not meet NFPA 1977 Standard</b></li> <li>• PASS Alarms</li> <li>• Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)</li> <li>• Items not specifically approved by the NFPA such as bandannas and respirators</li> <li>• Heat sensors/strips</li> </ul> <p>Clothing/PPE for HazMat/EMT/Search &amp; Rescue operations</p>
<p><b>Forest Fire Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Videos</li> <li>• Forest Fire and Incident Command System certified training and tuition for attending classes</li> <li>• Multi-media Projectors/Screens—up to a maximum of \$1,500 (\$750 in grant funds)</li> <li>• VCR; TV—up to a maximum of \$500 (\$250 in grant funds)</li> <li>• Speaker fees</li> <li>• Digital cameras—up to a maximum of \$500 (\$250 in grant funds)</li> <li>• DVD</li> <li>• Laptop computers—up to a maximum of \$1,000 (\$500 in grant funds)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Forest Fire Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Structural fire training</li> <li>• LP Gas Simulator Training</li> <li>• Video cameras</li> <li>• Home Theater Systems</li> </ul>
<p><b>Forest Fire Prevention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posters</li> <li>• Handouts</li> <li>• Wildland-Urban interface videos and brochures</li> <li>• Firewise materials</li> <li>• Fire Danger Signs/Smokey</li> </ul>	<p><b>Forest Fire Prevention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smoke detectors</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tools and Equipment</b> used for forest fire suppression. Such items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hoses and nozzles of a diameter no more than 1¾ inches</li> <li>• Gear bags, canteens</li> <li>• Class A foam (USDA approved)</li> <li>• Portable foam delivery equipment</li> <li>• Foam systems permanently mounted on a brush truck</li> <li>• Equipment to outfit an ATV for fire suppression</li> <li>• Chain saws—up to a maximum of \$500 (\$250 in grant funds)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Tools and Equipment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oxygen</li> <li>• Hoses, nozzles, <b>and appliances</b> of a diameter <b>greater than 1¾ inches</b></li> <li>• Other equipment used for fighting structural fires such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large, trailer-type pumps</li> <li>• Thermal imaging devices/cameras</li> <li>• Compressed air foam systems mounted permanently on structural fire engines</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<p><b><i>Tools and Equipment, continued</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hand tools used in wildfire suppression</li> <li>• Vehicle slip-on pumping units</li> <li>• Any pump <b>up to and including 25 horsepower</b> if its primary use will be for initial-attack forest fire suppression—including suction hoses that match the pump (please indicate on reimbursement claim the hose that matches the pump)</li> <li>• Tool (cache) hauling trailer (in Wisconsin a trailer <u>and</u> load that exceeds 3,000 pounds must be licensed as a vehicle with the Dept. of Transportation)</li> <li>• Portable tanks, maximum capacity 4,000 gal.</li> <li>• Winches</li> <li>• DOT safety cans</li> <li>• Sprinkler kits</li> <li>• Leaf blower/mist</li> <li>• Boxlight flashlights</li> <li>• First time FEPP Conversion costs including tires, paint, emergency lighting, etc.</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>Tools and Equipment, continued</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High volume pumps to be used primarily for structural fire fighting, or that will be mounted on structural fire fighting engines</li> <li>• Class B foam</li> <li>• 6.5 pound fire axes</li> <li>• Trailer to haul ATV</li> <li>• Exercise equipment</li> <li>• Underground water tank</li> <li>• Floodlights</li> <li>• Generators</li> <li>• Ventilation Saws</li> <li>• Ladders</li> <li>• Any non-USDA approved Class A Foam or delivery system to apply non-USDA approved Class A Foam</li> <li>• HazMat/EMT/Search &amp; Rescue operations equipment</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Dry Hydrants (water points)</i></b> used for forest fire suppression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dry hydrants and equipment for and installation of dry hydrants (includes culverts for close access)</li> <li>• Adapters to match appropriate portable pump suction hose</li> </ul> <p>To learn more about what is needed in order to apply for a dry hydrant, visit DNR's website:  <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/fhp/waterway/dryhydrants.shtml">http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/fhp/waterway/dryhydrants.shtml</a></p> <p><b>Note:</b> If awarded a grant, reimbursement costs for dry hydrant installation will only be authorized if appropriate documentation (exemption letter, permit approval, or landowner letter) is submitted by the grantee.</p>	<p><b><i>Dry Hydrants (water points)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repair and/or maintenance of existing dry hydrants</li> <li>• Hydrants for city water</li> <li>• Underground water tank</li> <li>• Wells</li> <li>• Legal Fees for easements</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Communication Equipment</i></b> that is used for forest fire protection and suppression activities. Such items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Radios-mobile &amp; portable/Pagers—with batteries and warranty at initial purchase—must be compatible with the state governmental radio plan; multi-channel radios should include county fire and FIRECOM frequencies; WISTAC and MARC compatibility recommended. Radios should also meet the federal narrowband frequency standard.</li> <li>• Chargers</li> <li>• Carrying cases</li> <li>• Installation/programming/reprogramming fees <b>for fire department vehicles</b></li> <li>• Base station and repeaters</li> <li>• Moving of existing repeater towers</li> <li>• Paging system with encoder/decoder</li> <li>• Back up power systems at radio tower sites to include solar panels</li> <li>• Headsets for portable radios</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>Communication Equipment</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobile phones and related charges</li> <li>• Replacement batteries for radios and pagers</li> <li>• Fax machines</li> <li>• Maintenance of existing towers</li> <li>• Community emergency warning siren system</li> <li>• Mobile Data Terminals</li> </ul>

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<p><b><i>Mapping and Numbering</i></b> materials, supplies and equipment for forest fires, and direction or location devices. Such items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global positioning systems (GPS) and installation</li> <li>• Numbering systems</li> <li>• Maps of wildland areas</li> <li>• Other mapping equipment</li> <li>• Plat books</li> <li>• Software and computers that support ArcView</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>Mapping and Numbering</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PDA (personal digital assistant)</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Off-road Vehicles (limited to individual fire departments only)</i></b> used primarily for forest fire suppression; such items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard all-wheel drive trucks, ½ to 5-ton capacity equipped to fight forest fires</li> <li>• Tankers with tanks that hold 1,000 gallons or less if equipped with mounted pumps and go off-road</li> <li>• Light bars if installed on initial-attack brush trucks</li> <li>• Initial changes or repairs to a recently acquired vehicle to prepare it for forest fire fighting immediately after acquisition, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paint</li> <li>• Identification letters and numbers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• All-terrain vehicles (ATV's) used primarily for wildland fire suppression</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>Off-road Vehicles</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard trucks that do not have all-wheel drive (not off-road)</li> <li>• Tankers with tanks that hold more than 1,000 gallons</li> <li>• Tankers not equipped to go off-road</li> <li>• Trailers to haul ATVs</li> <li>• Tires, vehicle maintenance, and repair for existing trucks</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Eligible Project Costs</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Freight/shipping charges</li> <li>• Quotes/bids publication notice costs</li> <li>• Costs for eligible items <b>purchased and received during the project period</b></li> <li>• Costs for eligible services <b>rendered during the project period</b></li> <li>• Paid from the grantee's or Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) owner account</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>Ineligible Project Costs</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sales tax</li> <li>• Costs of items purchased and received before or after the project period</li> <li>• Costs of services rendered before or after the project period</li> <li>• Items purchased from an account other than that of the grantee or Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) owner</li> <li>• Donated or in-kind labor, materials or equipment</li> <li>• Items for which payment has been or will be received under another federal or state financial assistance program</li> <li>• Costs incurred in a contract that creates a real or apparent conflict of interest</li> </ul>

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